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## To whom it may concern

Dear friends,

In the wake of Russia's aggression against Ukraine, I appeal for any help or support that you can offer our partner cities of Lviv and Kyiv, as well as any other Ukrainian city directly affected by the hostilities and, as a result, in need of assistance.

Since the day the war broke out, Kraków has been actively engaged in providing aid to the Ukrainian citizens who have remained in their country, as well as the refugees who are arriving in Poland in great numbers.

I am deeply moved and extremely proud of the people of Kraków who, in a truly spectacular display of solidarity, promptly involved themselves in helping our friends from across the eastern border. As a result, numerous collections of donations have been organised, refugee families have received shelter, medical and psychological care, while evacuees from Ukrainian orphanages affected by warfare have been brought to safety and placed in temporary accommodation. Additionally, Ukrainian residents of Kraków who wish to return to their country are offered transport from our city to the border. Kraków has also become one of the hubs from where lorries filled with donated goods leave every day for various cities in Ukraine. Although the scale of public involvement is truly impressive, the need for assistance – including material and logistical measures, and – above all – donations of direct protection measures – is constantly and rapidly increasing. Ukraine has been defending its territory and citizens for many days now with the resources at the disposal of the defenders shrinking. Facing a dynamically changing situation, we understand that help is urgently needed.

Therefore, I turn to you for support for Lviv, Kyiv and other Ukrainian cities. Priority needs include medical and sanitary supplies, helmets, bulletproof vests and power generators. I am enclosing a detailed list of items, we have received from our Ukrainian partners.

If you can donate directly to Ukraine, please contact Ms. Yulia Stopolianska, Technical Advisor, SAFEMed USAID Contractor, Management Sciences for Health 17 Reitarska Street, Suite 23 Kyiv, Ukraine 01030; tel: +38 063 395 52 58; e-mail: [ystopolianska@safemedua.org](mailto:ystopolianska@safemedua.org).

Help can also be transferred via Kraków. My foreign service shall assist you with the logistics. Please contact Ms. Kinga Stoszek, tel: +4812 6161 505, mobile: +48 797 018 738, e-mail: [Kinga.Stoszek@um.krakow.pl](mailto:Kinga.Stoszek@um.krakow.pl) for information regarding location of collection points.

Every support for the heroic Ukrainian people counts. Symbolic gestures of solidarity are certainly important, but in the face of material danger, tangible help should be our prerogative. I will be obliged if you join our efforts to support Ukraine.

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